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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GUTHRIE, 121, Holborn Hill, E.C. BATES, HENDY & CO., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DRAGON & CO., 180 & 182, Leadenhall Street.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GUTHRIE, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO.—American Ports generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

CHINA.—SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Amoy, Swatow, Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai, Hankow, Peking, Tientsin, and other ports. L. A. D. GRAGA.

Banks.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

INCORPORATED BY NATIONAL DECREE OF 17TH AND 28TH MARCH, 1848.

BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF 26TH JULY, 1854, AND 31ST DECEMBER, 1866.

Recognized by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1862.

Capital, 100,000,000 Francs. Reserves, 20,000,000 Francs.

Head Office.—14, Rue Bergère, Paris.

AGENCIES.—At Naples, Lyons, Marseilles, Brussels, Bombay, Calcutta, St. Denis (Ile de la Réunion), Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama.

LONDON BRANCH.—Bank of England, Union Bank of London.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the monthly minimum balances, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained at the office.

CHR. DE GUIGNÉ, Manager.

Offices in Hongkong: Bank Buildings, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, May 14, 1875.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 100,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman.—E. R. BELLING, Esq.

Deputy Chairman.—AD. ANDER, Esq.

J. F. CORDEN, Esq. S. W. POMEROY, Esq.

H. HOPKINS, Esq. F. D. SASSOON, Esq.

A. MOIVER, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, JAMES GREIG, Esq.

Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. " "

" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

Orders will be received by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

Hongkong, July 24, 1875.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

THE UNDERMENTIONED LAND AND BUILDINGS.

AT HONGKONG:—

INLAND LOT 82.—The well-known House and Offices lately occupied by Messrs A. Heard & Co., adjoining the Cathedral Compound.

The Ground below the masonry retaining wall of the above, abutting on the Queen's Road.

Annual Crown rent, \$390.48.

MARINE LOT 111, WANCHAI.—First-class and extensive Godown.

Annual Crown rent, \$324.

INLAND LOT 591.—Situated on the Bonham Road and one of the finest sites for Villa residences in the Colony.

Annual Crown rent, \$79.78.

FARM LOT 17, POKFULUM, adjoining Messrs Butterfield & Swire's premises.

Annual Crown rent, \$25.

AT KOWLOONG:—

MARINE LOT 4.—With a frontage of 100 feet on the Praya, and with an area of 30,000 feet.

Reduced Annual Crown rent, \$10.

AT YOKOHAMA:—

LOTS No. 6 AND No. 27 in the Foreign Settlement.

No. 6 is situated on the Bund, and comprises an eight-roomed Dwelling House, detached, with Garden all round, Offices, Godowns, Servants' Quarters and Outhouses. Area 1,064 Taubos of 36 square feet.

Annual Ground rent, \$263.78.

No. 27 is separated from No. 6 by Water Street and comprises large Tea Firing and other Godowns, Flood Silk Press, Commodore's Quarters, Stabling and Fire Engine House. Area, 554 Taubos.

Ground rent, \$154.97 per annum.

Applications for purchase, or further information, to be made to

J. WHITTALL,

T. G. LINSTED,

Trustees A. Heard & Co.'s Estate,

23, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

SAYLE & Co. have opened

their first delivery of New Goods for the coming Season, to which they invite special attention.

Ladies' and Children's Ready-made Costumes in a variety of Styles.

Morning Wrappers in Embroidered Linen, Printed, Cambric, White Brilliante and Muslin.

French Toilet Jackets.

Richly Embroidered Cambric Skirts.

A Large Assortment of Dress Materials in all the newest designs.

French Millinery of the latest fashions.

Boys' Holland Suits & Pinafors.

Ladies' Underclothing.

Ladies' and Children's Boots and Shoes.

Also,

A fresh supply of the "Little Wanzel" Sewing Machines.

Agents for Hongkong.

SAYLE & Co.,

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

FOR SALE.

200 Cases CLARET from BORDEAUX.

Apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, March 10, 1876.

ON SALE.

THE CHINESE READER'S MANUAL.

A HANDBOOK of Biographical, Historical, Mythological and General Literary Reference.

BY

WILLIAM FREDERICK MATTHEWS.

Price: \$3.

Shanghai, KERRY & Co.

Hongkong, "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE.

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office. Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.

THIS Season's American HAMS and BACON in prime condition. Smoked SALMON.

Golden Gate Baker's EXTRA FLOUR in Barrels and Tins.

MAGEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

Hongkong, February 19, 1876.

DUO DE MONTEBELLO CARTE

BLANCHE CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts, \$15 per case (1 dozen.)

Pints, \$16 " (2 ")

5 per cent. discount on 25 cases.

Bourbon WHISKEY.

\$12 per case (1 dozen.)

For Sale by HEARD & Co.

Hongkong, June 22, 1875.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

By "OCEANIC."

THIS Season's American HAMS and BACON in prime condition. Smoked SALMON.

Golden Gate Baker's EXTRA FLOUR in Barrels and Tins.

MAGEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

Hongkong, February 19, 1876.

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\$12 per case (1 dozen.)

For Sale by HEARD & Co.

Hongkong, June 22, 1875.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

I have this day authorized Mr J. Y. V. SHAW to sign my name per procura.

A. MACG. HEATON.

Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have entered into Co-partnership from the First day of January, 1876, in the Business of Shipbrokers at this Port, under the style of MORRIS & RAY.

A. G. MORRIS.

E. C. RAY.

Bank Buildings,

Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

NOTICE.

WE have Established branches of our Firm at Haiphong and Haoul. Mr E. CONSTANTIN is authorised to sign by procuration in Tonquin.

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

Intimations.

STAFFORDSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF HANLEY.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £250,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and Shanghai for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Fire Insurance at current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

THE MERCHANTS' MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF LONDON.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £500,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance at current rates, payable in London, India, Australia, New Zealand, Straits, Mauritius, Java, Manila, China, Japan, California, &c., &c.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

Note.—By the Company's Articles of Association it is provided that, after payment to the shareholders of a dividend of 10 per cent. per annum, one fourth of the residue of profits will be rateably divided amongst those Insurers out of whose business profits have been made during the year.

In the Goods of CAPTAIN LAWRENCE YOUNG, Deceased.

ALL Persons having any CLAIMS against the above Estate are requested to send in Particulars of the same to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd day of April, 1876.

And all Persons being indebted to the said Estate are requested to Pay to the Undersigned their several Debts without delay.

STEPHENS & HOLMES,

Solicitors for the Executors.

2, Club Chambers,

Hongkong, February 22, 1876.

IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE REDUCTION OF THE PRICE OF THE

"SHANGHAI COURIER AND CHINA GAZETTE"

IT WILL BE THE

CHEAPEST DAILY PAPER IN CHINA

and as a large

INCREASE OF CIRCULATION

MAY BE CONFIDENTLY ANTICIPATED, THE

ADVANTAGE TO

ADVERTISERS

IS OBTAINED.

Intimations.

LOST.

ON THURSDAY, the 23rd Instant, a Liver and White Suffolk SPANIEL, answer to the name of "SAMBO." Whoever will bring the same to the Office of DOUGLAS LAIRA & Co., will be suitably Rewarded.

Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

DIVIDEND Warrants for the Dividend to Dec. 31/75, at the rate of \$10 per share, can be obtained at the Office on or after 29th February.

By Order,

D. GILLIES,

Secretary.

No. 2, Club Chambers,

Hongkong, February 29, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned beg respectfully to inform the Public that they have established themselves as

BUTCHERS AND GENERAL COMMODORES,

At No. 1, Graham Street,

And are prepared to Supply Fresh and Salt Provisions and Stores; also, WINES, SPIRITS and ALES of every description.

MATHEW & Co.

Hongkong, March 26, 1876.

ALL Persons having any CLAIMS

against the Estate of the late A. MARCUS DAILY, and all Persons indebted to the same, are requested to communicate immediately with the Undersigned.

H. LOWCOCK,

Executor.

Hongkong, March 21, 1876.

PILOTAGE.

VESSELS inward bound can secure Pilots from Reef Island, from this date.

Outward bound Vessels can secure FIRST CLASS PILOTS by applying to the Undersigned at Praya Central, No. 29.

The Pilot-boat's Flag is No. 5 at the main-mast.

H. F. STUART,

Hongkong, April 5, 1876.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 30th Instant, at 2 p.m.,—

The STOCK-IN-TRADE, GOODWILL, FURNITURE & FIXTURES of the well-known public house called the "BRITISH HOTEL," Queen's Road.

The Furniture will be sold in lots.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. GUEDES, Jr., Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 27, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW.

The Steamship

"K'WANGTUNG,"

Capt. F. ARBON, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 29th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAIRA & Co.

Hongkong, March 27, 1876.

FOR COOKTOWN AND SYDNEY.

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer

"NORMANBY"

will be despatched as above on or about the 1st Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Company's Steamship

"PATROCLUS"

will be despatched on or about the 7th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, March 27, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE AND SYDNEY.

The Steamer

"CHEFION"

Captain WATT, will be despatched as above on or about the 30th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, March 20, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The Steamship

"QUANGSE"

Capt. JONES, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 12th Proximo, at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE,

Intimations.

COAL DEPOT.

COALS of every description supplied to Steamers by the Underigned.
Orders may be left at the Godowns, Wanchi, with Mr. J. MAUGHAM, or at the Godown, Kowloon, with Mr. J. MAUGHAM.

LANDSTEIN & Co.,
Hongkong, November 1, 1875. my1

F. KRUPP'S CAST STEEL WORKS,

Essen (Germany).
Sole Agent for China,
F. PEIL,
HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, COLOMBO
(Germany.)

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SAIGON.

The Steamship
"NORDEN"
Captain JENSEN, will leave
for the above Port TO-
MORROW, the 29th, at Noon.
For "Treasure Freight or Passage,
apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, March 28, 1876. mc29

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship
"IRAOUADY,"
Captain GAUVAIN, will be
despatched for SHANGHAI
TO-MORROW, the 29th inst., at 8 p.m.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, March 28, 1876. mc29

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

The Steamship
"ESMERALDA,"
Captain THEBAUD, will be
despatched for the above Port
on MONDAY, the 31st inst., at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
A. MACG. HEATON,
Agent.
Hongkong, March 28, 1876. ap8

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

A Special Agency of the Company has
been opened in London, under the
Management of Mr. WALTERS SCHMIDT,
at 8, St. Michael's Alley, Cornhill.

By Order,
W. H. RAY,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 28, 1876. ap28

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell
by Public Auction, at their Sale
Room, Praya, on
FRIDAY,
the 31st March, 1876, at Noon,—
Silk and Alpaca Umbrellas, Eau de
Cologne, Aromatic Eau de Cologne,
Toilet Vinegar, Tooth Brushes, Crystal
Finger Plates and Handles, Glazing
Tools, Gauging Rods, Walkden's Black
Writing Ink, Shoe Blacking, &c., &c.

Also,

A Large Treasury Chest.
25 cases Champagne Vineyard Cognac,
25 " F. Courvoisier and Curlier's
Cognac.
25 " Chateau La Rose by Lopes
Dubie & Co.
25 " Swaine Board & Co's Old
Tom.
100 Rides.
50 Pistols.

And,

2 North China PONIES, will go in
single or double harness.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.
The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors
of description, at purchaser's risk on the
fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, March 28, 1876. mc31

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 28, *Palos*, American gunboat, 306,
W. R. Bridgman, Shanghai Mar. 23.
March 28, *Neomi*, French barque, 347,
Aucann, Keelung Mar. 23, Coal.—CAR-
LOWITZ & Co.
March 28, *Ningpo*, British steamer, 761,
Rayner, Shanghai Mar. 24, General.—
BIRMESSEN & Co.
March 28, *Therian*, Brit. steamer, 1667,
Johnson, Shanghai Mar. 24, Mails and
General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
March 28, *Malacca*, Brit. steamer, 1046,
S. D. Shellard, Yokohama, Mails and
General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
March 28, *Eleanor*, British barque, 433,
Johnson, Swatow Mar. 26, Ballast.—H. K.
KLEZ.
March 28, *F. H. Drews*, German barque,
830, W. Vossatz, Cardiff Nov. 21, Coal.—
Wm. FUSZAR & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Mar. 28, *Esmeralda*, for Amoy.
28, *Irena*, for Whampoa.
28, *Ningpo*, for Canton.
28, *Asia*, for Saigon.
28, *Biga*, for Saigon.
28, *Nord*, for Haiphong.
28, *Mongolia*, for Shanghai.
28, *Flamingo*, for S'pore and Penang.

CLEARED.

Hermes, for Manila.
Edmond Gressler, for Takao.
Wm. Phillips, for Bangkok.
Kwangtung, for Swatow, &c.

PASSENGERS.

Arrived.—Per *Therian*, from Shanghai:
Mr. Bonny, Mrs. McNair, Mrs. Goodrich,
and 42 Chinese.
Per *Malacca*, from Yokohama, Messrs D.
McCarthy, J. Townsend, P. Driscoll, two
distressed seamen, 2 European deck and 7
Chinese.
Per *Ningpo*, 70 Chinese.
Departed.—Per *Flamingo*, 460 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The American gunboat *Palos* reports:
thick weather and strong monsoon the
whole passage.
The French barque *Neomi* reports: from
Keelung to the Lammocks had very thick
weather and calms, thence to port strong
N.E. winds and heavy rain and sea.
The British steamer *Ningpo* reports: first
part of passage variable winds mostly from
Southward with very thick weather until
reaching the Lammocks yesterday, thence
to port moderate N.E. winds and squally
weather. Passed the *Tanis* yesterday
morning off the Lammocks, bound North.
The British barque *Eleanor* reports: fine
weather throughout.
The German barque *F. H. Drews* reports:
passed the Equator Dec. 20th, Meridian of
Cape Jan. 15th, Prince Edward's Island on
20th, and Kerguel Island on 27th. From
22nd Feb. to 2nd Mar. in the Ombay Pass
was in company with the German barque
Wilhelm Heymer, of Wolgast, from Cron-
stadt to Glasses Dock 132 days. Passed
the Dampier Straits on 12th Mar. and the
Ballintang on 25th.

Shipping Intelligence.

HOME SHIPPING.

The following is taken from the latest
London Papers:—

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 6, *Annie Braginton*, from New York
to Shanghai.
Jan. 6, *Ottercap*, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Jan. 6, *Lycka Till*, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Jan. 10, *Echo*, from London to Hongkong.
Jan. 11, *Titan*, from Penarth to Hong-
kong.
Jan. 13, *Antipodes*, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Jan. 17, *Alex. McNeil*, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
Jan. 17, *Onward*, from Liverpool to Hong-
kong.
Jan. 19, *Sophie*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Jan. 20, *Forward Ho*, from London to
Yokohama, &c.
Jan. 22, *Flintshire* (str.), from London to
Penang, &c.
Jan. 24, *Victoria* (str.), from Liverpool to
Manila.
Jan. 31, *Lord Macaulay*, from Newport to
Hongkong.
Feb. 1, *Neachus* (str.), from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
Feb. 2, *Evelyn*, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 4, *Undine*, from London to Shanghai.
Feb. 6, *Candia* (str.), from London to
China and Japan.
Feb. 6, *Paul Marie*, from London to
Shanghai.
Feb. 6, *Scotia*, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 6, *Orchis* (str.), from London to
China and Japan.
Feb. 6, *Kaisow*, from London to Hong-
kong.
Feb. 8, *Olympia* (str.), from Hamburg to
Shanghai.
Feb. 17, *Glenartney* (str.), from London to
Shanghai.
Feb. 17, *Agamemnon* (str.), from Liverpool
to Shanghai.
Feb. 17, *Naples* (str.), from London to
China.

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.

At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.
Sumatra. Lorne.
Russia. Galley of Lorne.
Viking. Fleurs Castle.
Glenlyon.

Sailing Vessels.

Cashmere. Ada.
Moss Glen.
At Liverpool.
Antenor (str.) Glancous (str.)
Oregon.

CARGOES.

Inwards.—Per *Malacca*, from Yokohama
for London—\$510,528 in Treasure; for Singa-
pore \$100,000 in Treasure; for Hongkong
1,999 pkgs. Sundries.
Outwards.—Per *Diomed*, sailed Mar. 24,
Hongkong to London, 10,703 lbs. Congon,
1,454 lbs. Souchong, and 30 bales Silk.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CLOSE:—

For SAIGON.—
Per *NORDEN*, at 11.30 a.m. To-mor-
row, the 29th inst.
For SHANGHAI.—
Per *IRAOUADY*, at 2.30 p.m. To-
morrow, the 29th inst.

For MANILA.—
Per Ship *HERMANN*, at 11.30 a.m. on
Thursday, the 30th inst.

For BANGKOK.—
Per *RAJANATHANUHA*, at 8.30
p.m. on Friday, the 31st inst.,
instead of as previously notified.

For COCKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, AND
SYDNEY.—
Per *CHEVOT*, at 3.30 p.m. on Friday,
the 31st inst.
Mails will also be made up for all parts
of Australia and Tasmania.

Private ship rates.

For MANILA.—
Per *ESMERALDA*, at 11.30 a.m. on
Monday, the 3rd April.

For YOKOHAMA & SAN FRANCISCO.—
Per *QUANGSE*, at 1.30 p.m. on Wednes-
day, the 12th April.

For HONOLULU.—The Bark *COLOMBO*,
Postponed till further notice.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.

The English Contract Packet *THE HERAN*,
will be despatched with the Mails for
Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the
30th inst.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 28th inst.

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post
Office closes except the Night
Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 29th inst.

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late
Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted on
payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents
extra Postage until

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)
addressed to the United Kingdom via
Brindisi or to Singapore may be posted
on board the Packet on payment of a
Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage.

11.50 a.m., Posting on Board ceases.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, March 28, 1876. mc30

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.
The United States Mail Packet *BELGIO*,
will be despatched on SATURDAY,
the 1st April, with Mails for Japan,
San Francisco, and the United States,
which will be closed as follows:—

2 p.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m., Post Office closes.

2.30 p.m., Correspondence may be posted
on board the Packet with Late
Fee of 12 cents extra Postage
until

2.50 p.m., when the Mail is finally closed.

Correspondence must be specially directed
for this route, and if not fully prepaid
will be sent by British Packet.

Letters, &c. can be posted for Canada, the
West Indies, and other places named
below, if sufficient American stamps
are added to prepay them from San
Francisco to destination. American
Stamps are sold at this Office.

The charge for Registry is 8 cents in Hong-
kong Stamps, and 10 cents in U.S.
Stamps to those places only the names
of which are printed in Italics. To all
the other places named correspondence
cannot be Registered through, but only
to San Francisco (8 cents).

The following are the charges on Correspond-
ence thus sent:—

Per half ounce.
Hongkong to U.S.
cents. cents.

Canada, British Columbia, New
Brunswick, Nova Scotia,
Prince Edward's Island,
Quebec, Vancouver's Island, Baha-
ma, Nassau, New Providence,
Apollonia, Bermuda, Bogota,
Carthagena, Costa Rica,
Cuba, Curaçao, Fiji, Gren-
ada, Jamaica, New Granada,
Nicaragua, Panama,
West Indies, &c. 8 5

Hawaii, Newfoundland, &c. 8 5

Guatemala, Mexico, Salvador,
Venezuela, &c. 8 10

Belize, Greytown, Guana,
Honduras, Martinique, San-
ta Martha, Tortuga, &c. 8 15

Brazil, &c. 8 17

Bolivia, Ecuador, Chili, Peru,
Argentine Confederation, Ene-
nos Ayres, Paraguay, &c. 8 23

News, &c. (per 4 oz.) 2 4

Books, &c. (per 4 oz.) 6 10

Any articles found enclosed in Newspapers
or Book Packets (as silk scarves,
jewellery, &c.) will be detained.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, March 28, 1876. ap1

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *HOUGHLY*,
will be despatched on THURSDAY,
the 31st April, with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom via
Marseilles; to Europe, Saigon, Singa-
pore, Galle, Madras, Calcutta,
Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexan-
dria.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 28th April.—
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post
Office closes except the Night Box,
which remains open all night.

Thursday, 29th April.—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of
Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late
Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)
addressed to the United Kingdom or
to Singapore may be posted on
payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents
extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, March 28, 1876. ap6

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, March 29:—
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports
of Call and Europe.

2 p.m.—Sale of Stock-in-trade, Good
Will, Furniture, &c., of the "British
Hotel."

Cheviot leaves for Cocktown, Townsville,
Brisbane and Sydney on or about this
date.

FRIDAY, March 31:—
Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs
Lane, Crawford & Co.
Goods per *Irakoudy* undelivered after
Noon, subject to rent and landing
charges.
Goods per *Bermuda* undelivered after
this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, April 1:—
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s
Steamer *Belgio* leaves for Yokohama
and San Francisco.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Zealand Lodge,
Normandy, leaves for Canton and
Sydney on or about this date.

WARRANTS against undivided Dividends,
Bonds of Interest on Victoria Fire
Insurance Co., to be presented before
this date.

MONDAY, April 3:—
Noon.—*Esmeralda* leaves for Manila
(direct).

Goods per *Candia* undelivered after this
date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, April 6:—
Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports
of Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, April 7:—
Patroclus leaves for London on or about
this date.

WEDNESDAY, April 12:—
2 p.m.—*Quangse* leaves for San Francisco.

SATURDAY, April 15:—
8 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yok-
ohama and San Francisco.

SATURDAY, April 23:—
Claims against the Estate of Captain
Lawrence Young, deceased, must be
sent in on or before this date.

FRIDAY, June 30:—
Claims against the Estate of Dietherich
Heimholt, Querino Antonio G. arrez,
Martin Carroll, Dora Howard, and
Henry Roberts, deceased, must be
proved on or before this date.

MONDAY, July 31:—
Claims against the Estates of Gustaf
Thelander, Edward Parker, Edward
Bjorklund, Hendley, Kwong Tham, Lam
Kai Chong, Lee Ah Yoh, Leung Sew
Fai, Man Chan, and 4 Chinamen,
names unknown, No. 11, deceased, must
be proved on or before this date.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—*Kuangtung* leaves for Swatow,
Amoy and Poochow.

Noon.—*Norden* leaves for Saigon.

3 p.m.—*Irakoudy* leaves for Shanghai.

Goods per *Nestor* undelivered after this
date subject to rent.

TO ADVERTISERS.

It is requested that all advertisements be
sent, when practicable, by 4 p.m., to allow of
the early issue of the paper.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 7.35 p.m.

MARRIAGE.

At Yokohama, March 4th, JOHN CAREY
HALL, Esq., of H. B. M.'s Consular Service,
to AGNES, daughter of Charles Wycliffe
Goodwin, Esq., Assistant-Judge in H. B. M.'s
Supreme Court.

DEATH.

On Saturday, the 18th December, at
No. 2, Albion Villas, College Park, Lewis-
ham, Captain J. W. LUSCH, in his
fifty-ninth year, and for over thirty years
in the employ of the Peninsular and
Oriental Steam Navigation Company.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 1876.

We grumble from day to day and from
month to month at the state of trade in
this Colony, but they appear to be no
better off in Japan. The foreign news-
papers at Yokohama draw very gloomy
pictures of the "maimed and crippled"
trade there, and deplore the absence of
any signs of improvement. The unfor-
tunate dollar gets the chief part of the
blame. "What," says the *Japan Gazette*,
"do we find here. To-day the exchange
value of the dollar is 3/4. Persons and
houses, of good repute heretofore, are
failing, or giving up a useless struggle
with an unprofitable business. European
goods are to be bought at less than their
cost price, a very good thing perhaps for
individual purchasers, but a very bad
one for trade. Japanese shops are over-
stocked with provisions and wares,
bought so cheap, that their holders have
no idea of their real value, yet these
holders are so anxious to realise that
they will take even less than they them-
selves gave for their purchases."

OUR ATTENTION HAS BEEN DRAWN TO THE

fact that considerable inconvenience was
caused by the somewhat hasty despatch
of the *Sunda* for Yokohama. The mail
for Japan was closed on Sunday evening,
and the steamer sailed at daylight on
Monday, although the London mails of
Feb. 18th are not due here until the 30th
instant. It need not be supposed that
we demur to receiving our mails a day or
two ahead, or that our Yokohama friends
should share a similar advantage. But,
in view of the close attention necessary
in these days of almost hourly steamers
and daily mails, it is strongly advisable
that the desk should be deserted on Sun-
day whenever practicable. The question
to be asked, then, on behalf of a hard-
worked and suffering public, is, Could
the *Sunda* not have been despatched on
Monday afternoon? The French steamer,
which was considerably behind her usual
time, left at noon on Sunday, and as this
necessitated work on the occasion men-
tioned. Hongkong is seldom troubled
with narrow views of Sabbatarianism;
but there is a medium in all things, and
we trust that Sunday rest will not again
be needlessly thrown away except on the
most pressing necessity.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT WHICH REACHED THIS

Colony by telegraph a few days ago, that
the House of Commons had appointed a
Select Committee to enquire into the
serious depreciation in the value of silver,
was no doubt received here, by those
who have given much attention to the
subject, with considerable satisfaction.
While it does not follow that any action
taken by the British Government upon
the silver question would directly affect
the residents at large in China, yet it is
a matter for great congratulation that
this Committee, which, like every Select
Committee appointed by the House of
Commons, has special means for obtaining
information upon the subject to which
its attention is directed, has been com-
missioned to make enquiries into this
most complicated matter. The great
want of the public upon the question is
thoroughly reliable information. This
Committee, besides possessing ample time
and opportunities for making its en-
quiries, will have the power of calling
valuable witnesses and of examining
them upon oath, and, as its proceedings
will be public, the community will
enjoy the advantage of being a le to
weigh the evidence, as reported, for
themselves. The outcry on the question
increases in force every day. In India,
we are told, the rupee is fast losing its
standard value, and the Govern-
ment are at a total loss what to do.
So far as we can judge from the
reports from various quarters there
appears to be no prospect whatever of
a falling off in the super-abundant supply

of the metal, and of its rising in value.

Apart from the fact that other countries
may follow the example of Germany, and
by adopting a gold currency, throw an
immense amount of silver upon the
market, the reports from the silver-pro-
ducing districts speak only of increasing
production. In the State of Nevada,
and the territory of Utah, which are the
two chief silver-producing regions in the
United States, the mines have been con-
stantly increasing in production for the
last six years, and in 1874 the former
yielded \$35,000,000 and the latter about
\$8,000,000. If the production of Colo-
rado, Idaho, Montana, Arizona, &c. be
added to these amounts they make a total
production of not less than \$47,000,000
for the one year. The mines of Utah
have only been worked since 1870, and
it is expected that they will become
as productive as those of Nevada,
the vitality of which has exceeded
that of any territory known—even that
of Spanish-America in its most piping
times. If silver has lost its preciousness
it is quite certain that some other stan-
dard of currency must be introduced, or
there must be a revision in regard to
charges and salaries amongst us. As
might have been expected the Ameri-
cans, to whom the question has special
importance, have been advancing some
very ingenious theories for getting out
of the difficulty, but we are bound to say
that the value of most of them consists
chiefly in their ingenuity. One sa-
gacious individual advocates the shutting
up of the mines for a while, and stopping
the supply, while another writes to the
Alta California to suggest that Con-
gress should authorise the Mints to coin
and issue during the present year a
Centennial coin of the same value as the
trade dollar, but of a distinctive die and
with an inscription commemorative of
the occasion. This coin, he adds, could
be used in trade, if necessary, but se-
veral millions of them would be stowed
away in the pockets of the people as
keepsakes! This same newspaper has
been sending a reporter to interview
several prominent men in the States
upon the silver question, and we printed
the gist of some of these interviews
a week or two ago. Although the
reporter was favoured with a number of
suggestions for meeting the difficulty,
especially so far as the United States are
concerned, yet it does not appear to us
that any really valuable idea for a broad
and satisfactory settlement of the ques-
tion was obtained, and some of the sug-
gestions were simply twaddle. It is
quite clear that China, which has been
one of the great reservoirs for silver for
many years, will be a heavy loser through
the depreciation in the value of the metal,
and that it will entail a considerable
amount of inconvenience, as well as loss,
upon the foreign residents in and about
the Empire. It is a question that in-
terests us all, from the employer to the
employed, native as well as foreigner,
and if some one would offer a thoroughly
practical and good suggestion for getting
out of the difficulty he would deserve
the thanks of the two hem

SUPPLEMENT
TO THE
CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1876.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h*, near the Kowloon shore *k*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

Section.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

| Vessel's Name. | Anchor age. | Captain. | Flag and Reg. | Tons. | Date of Arrival. | Consignees or Agents. | Destination. | Remarks. |
|------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|-------|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Steamers | | | | | | | | |
| Altona | 3 h | Muller | Ger. str. | 1179 | Mar. 23 | Wm. Pustau & Co. | Saigon | |
| Belgie | 3 h | Metcalfe | Brit. str. | 1716 | Mar. 20 | P. M. S. S. Co. | Yama & S. F. C. S. Co. | With Mails |
| Candia | 5 c | Thompson | Brit. str. | 1342 | Mar. 27 | Jardine, Matheson & Co. | Yama and Higo | 1st prox. |
| Cheviot | 2 h | Watt | Brit. str. | 764 | Mar. 19 | Landstein & Co. | Cooktown & Sydney | about 30th |
| Cyphrones | 5 h | Wood | Brit. str. | 1280 | Mar. 20 | Adamson, Bell & Co. | | |
| Norden | 5 c | Jensen | Dan. str. | 778 | Mar. 23 | Jardine, Matheson & Co. | Saigon | |
| Flamingo | 5 h | Coucho | Brit. str. | 1209 | Mar. 14 | Jardine, Matheson & Co. | Saigon and Penang | 28th, 2 p.m. |
| Gonia | 4 h | Corrigan | Brit. str. | 1216 | Mar. 25 | Jardine, Matheson & Co. | | |
| Iraonaddy | 4 h | Gauvain | Fch. str. | 2440 | Mar. 24 | Messageries Maritimes | Shanghai | Ab'deen Dock |
| Killarney | 4 h | O'Neill | Brit. str. | 1066 | Mar. 25 | Landstein & Co. | | |
| Kwangtung | 5 h | Ashton | Brit. str. | 491 | Mar. 25 | Douglas Lapraik & Co. | East Coast | |
| Lord of the Isles | 2 c | Cowie | Brit. str. | 1846 | Mar. 22 | Adamson, Bell & Co. | | |
| Norna | 2 h | Walker | Brit. str. | 606 | Feb. 24 | Kwok Acheong | Haiphong | |
| Pawtuxet | 4 h | Hansen | Amer. str. | 280 | June 18 | Aug. Heard & Co. | | Laid up |
| Rajah | 5 c | Hopkins | Brit. str. | 359 | Mar. 22 | Hop King | Swatow | McD's Slip |
| Rajanattianuhar | 5 c | Hopkins | Brit. str. | 933 | Mar. 23 | Yuen Fat Hong | Bangkok | |
| Riga | 4 c | Clark | Brit. str. | 921 | Mar. 23 | Hop King | Saigon | |
| Yottung | 2 h | | Brit. str. | 324 | June 9 | Kwok Acheong | | Repairing |
| Sailing Vessels | | | | | | | | |
| Alden Besse | 7 c | Noyes | Amer. bk. | 842 | Mar. 10 | Rozario & Co. | Honolulu | |
| Amio Gray | 4 c | Moore | Brit. sh. | 727 | Mar. 9 | Rozario & Co. | Vancouver's Island | |
| Angus | 3 h | Rijs | Ger. bg. | 274 | Mar. 8 | Edyard Schellhass & Co. | Hien-tsin | |
| Bua Cano | 2 h | Lange | Siam. bk. | 340 | Mar. 7 | Chinese | | |
| Charter Oak | 4 c | Smith | Amer. sh. | 963 | Nov. 11 | Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. | New York | |
| Christina A. P. | 3 h | Federico | Amer. sch. | 175 | Jan. 8 | Order | | Repairing |
| Colombo | 2 c | Heuer | Brit. bk. | 364 | Feb. 8 | Russell & Co. | Honolulu | 4th April |
| Edmond Gressier | 2 k | Fauquet | Fch. bk. | 300 | Mar. 16 | Landstein & Co. | Pakao | |
| Edward James | 4 c | Forbes | Amer. bk. | 529 | Mar. 16 | Rozario & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Fanny | 3 c | Rousal | Fch. sh. | 1138 | Mar. 8 | Landstein & Co. | Bangkok | |
| Forward | 3 c | Strachan | Brit. bk. | 748 | Mar. 8 | Rozario & Co. | Vancouver's Island | |
| Frauz | 7 c | Hildebrandt | Brit. sch. | 148 | Dec. 18 | Frazar & Co. | Saigon | |
| Garibaldi | 4 h | Noyes | Amer. bk. | 670 | Dec. 17 | Rozario & Co. | Portland | |
| Hermann | 7 c | Bambach | Ger. sh. | 848 | Feb. 26 | Melchers & Co. | Manila | |
| James Vinicombe | 7 c | McPherson | Brit. sh. | 638 | Feb. 4 | Ebell & Co. | Macao | Costan Dock |
| Johann Smidt | 7 c | Bohkar | Ger. bk. | 434 | Mar. 20 | Wieler & Co. | | |
| Jonathan Chase | 5 k | Curtis | Amer. bk. | 693 | Mar. 20 | Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. | San Francisco | |
| Lathley Rich | 3 c | Lewis | Amer. sh. | 1327 | Feb. 21 | Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. | San Francisco | 4th April |
| Margarite | 7 h | Owens | Brit. sh. | 864 | Mar. 17 | Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. | San Francisco | |
| Mary Whitridge | 3 c | Cutler | Amer. sh. | 862 | Mar. 16 | Russell & Co. | San Francisco | |
| Montego | 3 h | Ruwald | Brit. bk. | 464 | Mar. 14 | Arnhold, Karberg & Co. | | |
| Nigline | 4 k | Griffiths | Brit. bk. | 316 | Mar. 26 | Edyard Schellhass & Co. | | |
| Nightingale | 4 c | Ahlmann | Ger. bk. | 320 | Feb. 14 | Arnhold, Karberg & Co. | Hamburg | |
| Noemi | 3 c | Palmer | Amer. sh. | 722 | Mar. 17 | Russell & Co. | San Francisco | |
| Northampton | 8 k | Aucam | Fch. bk. | 347 | Mar. 28 | Carlowitz & Co. | | |
| Palma | 7 h | Barclay | Brit. sh. | 1161 | Mar. 4 | Adamson, Bell & Co. | | |
| Samuel G. Reed | 4 k | Ballebr | Ger. bk. | 421 | Mar. 25 | Siemssen & Co. | | |
| Sydenham | 3 c | White | Amer. sh. | 650 | Dec. 18 | Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | 4th April |
| Union | 4 c | Bristow | Brit. sh. | 1062 | Feb. 26 | Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. | San Francisco | |
| Vila de Rivadavia | 4 c | Meriochevarria | Span. sch. | 152 | Mar. 4 | Remedios & Co. | Yloilo via Manila | |
| Wm. Phillips | 4 c | Camus | Span. bg. | 261 | Mar. 17 | Brandao & Co. | | |
| | 7 c | Heley | Amer. sch. | 593 | Mar. 10 | Captain | | |
| WHAMPOA | | | | | | | | |
| Formosa | | Schweer | Ger. bk. | 282 | Mar. 22 | Melchers & Co. | | |
| Haze | | Wilkinson | Amer. sh. | 664 | Mar. 2 | Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. | New York | |
| Ino | | Bannau | Ger. bk. | 353 | Mar. 15 | Siemssen & Co. | | |
| Irene | | Hansen | Ger. sch. | 276 | Mar. 28 | Carlowitz & Co. | | |
| Marion | | Hoves | Amer. sch. | 366 | Mar. 24 | Arnhold, Karberg & Co. | | |
| CANTON | | | | | | | | |
| Amy | | Drewes | Brit. str. | 814 | Mar. 24 | Siemssen & Co. | Shanghai | |
| Ningpo | | Rayner | Brit. str. | 761 | Mar. 28 | Siemssen & Co. | Shanghai | |

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

| Vessel's Name. | Anchor age. | Flag. | Class. | Tons. | Guns. | H. P. | Date of Arrival. | Commander. |
|------------------|----------------|----------|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Ariadne | 6 c | German | corvette | 1400 | ... | ... | Mar. 14 | Kühne |
| Andacious | 6 h | British | iron-clad (flag-ship) | 6750 | 14 | 800 | Feb. 27 | Colomb |
| Bayan | 6 c | Russian | corvette | 2000 | ... | ... | Mar. 6 | Boyle |
| Flamer | 4 k | British | aux. naval hospital | ... | ... | ... | ... | D. M. Insp. Gen. Morgan |
| Frolic | 6 h | British | gun vessel | 462 | 4 | 100 | ... | C. E. Buckle |
| Kestrel | 6 h | British | gun vessel | 462 | 4 | 100 | Mar. 15 | C. B. Theobald |
| Meanece | 6 k | British | military hospital | 2591 | ... | ... | ... | Capt. Becker |
| Palos | 6 c | American | gunboat | 305 | ... | ... | Mar. 28 | W. R. Bridgeman |
| Phistle | 6 h | British | gun vessel | 464 | ... | ... | Feb. 27 | Francis Stirling |
| Victor Emanuel | 6 h | British | Commodore's flag ship | 3087 | 2 | ... | ... | Commodore Parish |
| Vigilant | 6 h | British | despatch vessel | 650 | 2 | 250 | Mar. 25 | H. C. D. Ryder |
| At Canton | | | | | | | | |
| Egeria | | British | steam sloop | 727 | 4 | 120 | Mar. 20 | W. F. Castle |

FOOCHOW SHIPPING IN PORT.

Mar. 18, 1876.

Albert Victor
Chun Sheng
*Yesso
Fu Sheng
Midge
*Palas
Parana
Southern Queen

for Shanghai
British steamer
for Hongkong
British steamer
British gunboat
German barque
for Shanghai
British barque

SHANGHAI SHIPPING IN HARBOUR.

Mar. 18, 1876.

Adon
*Amoy
*Appin
*China
Europe
Fire Queen
Fu-yi-yama
Glencarn
Hankow

Chinese
British
German
British
American
American
British

Hankow
Hiroshima Maru
Hodan
Hoogy
Howang
Hupei
Little Orphan
Paoting
Pacutus
Plymouth Rock
Shantung
Szachuen
Teheran
Tunsin
Yehsin
Yungching

British
Japanese
American
French
Chinese
American
American
British
American
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British
British
Chinese
Chinese

Adole
Ceres
Cuba

American schooner
British barque
British barque

Eliza Shaw
Freetrader
Gesine Brons
Kronprindsessen
Leucadia
Madame Demorest
Oscar Vidal
Titania
Tokatza
Uranus
Vesta
Warden Appleby
Windhover

British ship
British schooner
German barque
Danish barque
for London
British barque
British barque
for New York
British ship
Norw. brig
American brig
British brig
British ship

Ashuelot
Kearsarge
La Clocheterie
Monocacy
*Palos
Tennessee
Thalia
Yantic

AMERICAN CORVETTE
American corvette
French corvette
American corvette
American gunboat
American corvette
British corvette
American gun vessel

* Since left port, or arrived at Hongkong.

Temperature.
 Hovskoke, March 25, 1878.
 Taken at Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Hotel
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 THERMOMETER.—F.A.M., 7 : : :
 Do. A.M., 4 : : :
 Do. Maximum, 4 : : :
 Do. Minimum, over eight, : : :
 BAROMETER.—F.A.M., 30. : : :
 Do. A.M., 30. : : :

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G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent.
Hongkong, March 1, 1876. apl

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This Association will, until further no-
tice, provide out of the earnings, first for
an interest, Dividend of 15% to Share-
holders on Capital, and thereafter distrib-
uted among Policy holders, annually, in
cash, ALL the Profits of the Underwriting
Business pro rata to amount of premium
contributed.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 9, 1874.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—Two Millions STERLING.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Coals in Matched, on Goods on board
Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Har-
bour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.
Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.
Hongkong, January 4, 1877.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Batavia and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.
JAS. B. COUGHTRE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE

COMPANY OF MANCHESTER

AND LONDON.

THE Underigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£25,000 on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits
are distributed annually to Contributors,
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premiums contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIA-
TION OF SHANGHAI.

NOTICE.

AFTER this date, the above Association
will allow a Brokerage of Thirty-
three and One Third per cent. (33 1/3%) on
Local Risks only.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, June 3, 1874.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE

COMPANY.

THE Underigned Agents are in receipt
of instructions from the Board of
Directors authorizing them to issue Policies
to the extent of £10,000 on any one first
class ship, or to the extent of £15,000 on
adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, January 6, 1874.

Insurances.

THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY, ADELAIDE.

CAPITAL, £500,000.

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company in
Hongkong, China and Japan, are prepared
to issue Policies of Marine Insurance,
payable in Australia, London, Calcutta,
Bombay, Mauritius, China and Japan at
current rates.

ADAMSON, HELL & Co.
Hongkong, September 6, 1875.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY OF HONGKONG LIMITED,

IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons holding Warrants against
unclaimed Dividends, Interest, or
Bonus, are requested to present same for
payment at the Hongkong and Shanghai
Bank before the 1st April, 1876, otherwise
their claims will not be recognised.

ADOLF ANDRE,
F. D. SASSOON,
Liquidators.
Hongkong, December 20, 1875. apl

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL

INSURANCE CO.

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agent, in Hongkong, for the above-
named Company, is prepared to grant
Policies against Fire, on Buildings and on
Goods to the extent of £10,000, at the
usual rates, subject to an immediate dis-
count of 20%.

Attention is invited to a considerable
reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in
China.

Life Policies effected during the year
1875, share in the Bonus to be declared on
31st December for the quinquennial period
then ending.

A. MACG. HEATON,
Hongkong, September 27, 1875.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE

INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.
CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Underigned, Agents at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELOHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

Intimations.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE
Chinese Mail.

TWO cents a character for the first 100
characters, and one cent a character
beyond the first 100, for first insertion, and
half price for repetitions during the first
week. Subsequent weeks' insertions will
be charged only one half the amount of the
first week's charge. Advertisements for
half a year and longer will be allowed a
deduction of 25 per cent. on the total amount,
and contracts for more favourable terms
can be made.

Efforts have been made to establish
Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail in all
the ports and in the interior of China, all
the ports in Japan, in Saigon, Singapore,
Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the
Philippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru
and other places which Chinese frequent.

When the list of Agencies is completed,
it will be published. Agents have been
already established in most of the above
places, and in important ports more than
one agent has been appointed at each.

OHUN AYIN,
Manager.
Hongkong, February 23, 1874.

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

THOM and after the Chinese New Year's
day (February 17, 1874) the Chinese
Mail will be issued DAILY instead of tri-
weekly as heretofore. No change, how-
ever, will be made in the price of subscrip-
tion, which will remain at \$4 per annum.

The changes for advertisements are now
assimilated to those of the Chinese Mail.
The unusual success which has attended
the Chinese Mail makes it an admirable
medium for advertisements.

The Conductors guarantee an eventual
circulation of one thousand copies. It is
already the most influential native journal
published, and enjoys considerable prestige
at the Ports of China, and Japan, and at
Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, San Fran-
cisco and Australia.

For terms, &c., address
MR. CHUN AYIN,
Manager.
China Mail Office,
17th February, 1874.

Intimations.

Now Ready.

THE CHINA REVIEW,
Vol. IV, No. 4.

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The Wry-Necked Tree.
Phallic Worship.
Short Notices of New Books and Literary
Intelligence.
Notes and Queries on Eastern Matters—
Chinese Anti-Opium Associations.
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Tract Soc.
Hongkong School-book Committee.
Chinese Wills.
Chinese Dress—Leading Gowns.
History of the Maritime Provinces.
Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office.
Hongkong, March 11, 1876.

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THE AMENDED HONG LIST

**in English and Chinese, con-
taining the Names of all the most
important Companies, Institutions
and Mercantile Houses in the
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With Immediate Possession.

TWO Dwelling Houses and Offices, Nos.
14 and 16, Stanley Street, lately in the
occupation of Messrs KAY & Co.
The House No. 35, Wellington Street,
lately in the occupation of Messrs Ross
& Co.

The Dwelling House No. 4, Alexandra
Terrace.

The Store and Dwelling House, No. 31,
Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of
Miss GARRATT.

The House and Offices No. 3, D'Aguiar
Street, lately in the occupation of Mr F.
DOUGLASS.

(Also with occupation from 1st April next.)
The Bungalow No. 3, Old Bailey Street.

The Dwelling House No. 46, Peel Street,
now in the occupation of Mr HAYWARD.

(And with occupation from 1st May next.)
The Dwelling House No. 1, Alexandra
Terrace, at present in the occupation of
Dr SROU.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, March 20, 1876.

TO BE LET.

A COMMODIOUS HOUSE in Queen's
Road East, with Godown attached.
Rent \$25 per month.

Apply to
PURDON & Co.
Hongkong, March 20, 1876.

TO LET.

With Possession on the 1st April.
THE Premises in Queen's Road Central,
known as the "London Inn."

Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, March 9, 1876.

TO LET.

FIRST Class STORAGE, GODOWNS,
on the Praya.

Apply to
TAYLOR & THOMPSON.
Hongkong, November 20, 1875.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 5, Zealand Street,
Quing No. 2, Seymour Terrace,
House No. 3, Pender's Hill.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, March 4, 1876.

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, Mar. 25, 1876.
At 1100 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.

Bacon, English, lb. 400 300
" " " " " 150 150
Beef, sirloin and prime cut, cy. 150 120
Beef Corned, catty 120 100
" Roast, " 130 120
" Soup, " 70 60
" Steak, " 130 120
Bullocks' Brains, per set 50 40
" Tongue, fresh, each 250 200
" " corned, " 450 350
" Head, " 1000 700
" Heart, " 150 110
" Feet, " 60 50
" Kidneys, " 60 50
" Tail, " 120 110
" Liver, catty 90 70
" Tripe (undressed), catty 40 30
Calves' Head and Feet, set 600 450
Hams, American, lb. 350 —
" Chinese, " 200 180
" English, " 200 350
Mutton Chop, " 180 160
" Leg, " 180 160
" Shoulder, " 140 120
" Liver, " 110 100
Pigs' Chittlings, catty 80 50
" Feet, " 120 110
" Fry, " 110 100
" Head, " 110 100
" Heart, each 70 50
" Kidneys, " 70 60
" Liver, lb. 120 110
" Livers, catty 140 130
Pork, Chop, " 180 120
" Corned, " 140 180
" Leg, " 120 110
" Fat or Lard, " 350 320
Sheep's Head and Feet, set 80 50
" Heart, each 70 60
" Kidneys, " 1400 1200
Sucking Figs, catty 180 120
Veal, " 180 120

Poultry.

Capons, catty 200 180
Duck, small, each \$3.00 —
Ducks, catty 180 120
" Dried, each 220 200
Eggs, Hen, doz. 100 —
" Duck, " 100 —
" Salt, " 100 —
Fowls, catty 180 170
Geese, " 120 110
Partridges, each 800 250
Pheasants, Canton, live pair 1500 —
Pigeons, each 150 140
Quail, " 80 70
Snipe, " 125 120
Teal, " 200 180
Turkeys, Cook, catty 600 500
" Hen, " 400 350

Fish.

Bombay Ducks, per hundred 200 —
Bream, catty 100 90
Carp, " 110 100
Codfish, salt, " 200 180
Congor Tels, " 80 80
Crabs, " 90 80
Cuttle Fish, " 60 50
Dace, " 110 100
Dog Fish, " 80 70
Eels, " 120 100
Fresh Fish, Large, " 130 120
" Small, " 120 100
Frogs, " 200 150
Garoupa, " 180 110
Gudgeon, " 120 110
Gurnet, " 100 90
Herrings, small, " 100 90
" smoked, box \$1.00 —
Live Fish, catty 120 120
Lobsters, " 80 70
Mackerel, " 80 80
Mullet, " 100 90
Oysters, " 180 120
Parrot Fish, " 120 120
Perch, " 100 90
Pomfret, " 110 100
Prawns, " 80 —
Ray, " 100 —

Vegetables.

Asparagus, " 400 350
Bamboo Shoots, young catty 120 100
Beans, sprout, catty 14 12
" broad, " 40 35
" French, " 100 80
Beet root, " 20 10
Cabbage, Macao, " 100 80
" red for pickling, " 80 70
" " " " " 15 10
Carrots, fresh, " 80 20
" Salt, catty 80 20
Cauliflowers, each 100 40
Celery, Chinese, catty 30 20
" English, " 50 20
Chilies, Dried, " 60 40
" Mixed, " 200 160
Cucumbers, " 70 —

Curry Stuff, English, catty 40 30

Garlic, " 8